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1. There was a railroad bridge over the Volga River about 1 km east of Gruental*** with a single Soviet-gauge track. Two railroad lines converge near the bridge on the southern bank of the Volga River. North of the bridge, these lines branch out again, one of them leading to the Gruental railroad station and continuing to the west. The other one, a double-track line, leads to Kazan.*
 2. The superstructure of the bridge consists of seven steel arches; the piers and abutments are built of granite. The current abutments of the six piers which stand in the water are reinforced against floating ice. The railroad approaches to the bridge were earth embankments. The estimated total length of the bridge was 1,250 meters, the main piers were 180 meters apart, the floor of the bridge was 5 to 6 meters wide and was about 25 meters above the water level. There were apparently no speed limits for trains crossing the bridges. The Volga River was 1,100 to 1,200 meters wide at the bridge site. The southern bank of the river was hilly and partly wooded, while the northern bank was flat and barren.
 3. A sentry box was observed at the northern bank of the river and a military guard was seen on the approach to the bridge. Other security measures were not noticed.
 4. [REDACTED] a photograph of the bridge, taken in September 1945 from a point on the northern bank of the river about 100 meters downstream from the bridge. **

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[REDACTED] Comment: This railroad bridge is on the single-track Moscow-Kazan-Sverdlovsk main railroad line, which has three short double-track sections on both sides of the Volga River. [REDACTED] with available records. For sketch of railroad lines near bridge, see Annex 1.

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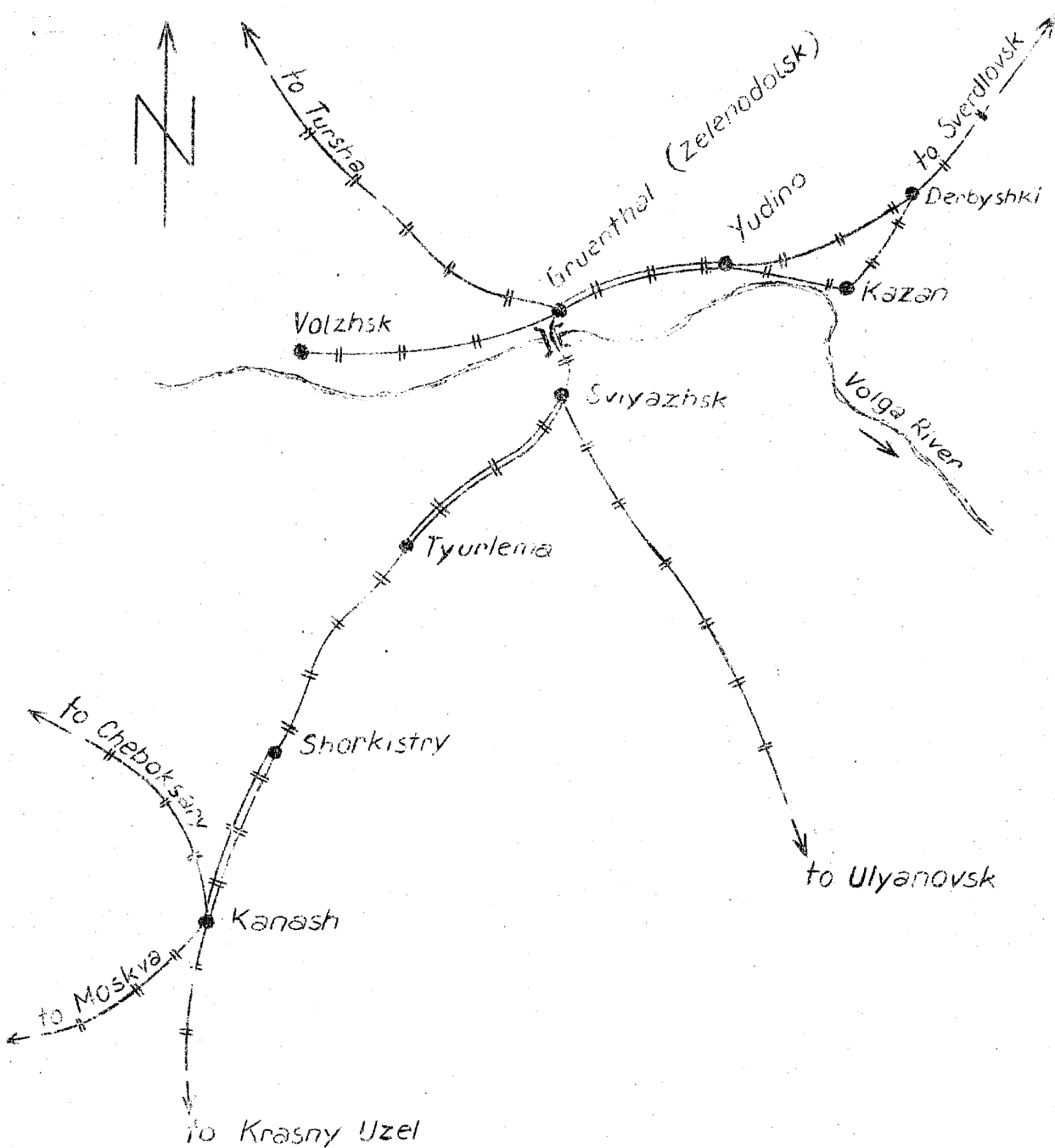
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Railroad Bridge across Volga river
near Kazan



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not to scale

